

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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> STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING 450 N Street, Room 121, Sacramento November 18-19, 2003 NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Tuesday, November 18, 2003

Agenda items occur sequentially. When circumstances warrant, the Chairwoman may modify the order of items as they appear on the agenda.

BOARD COMMITTEE MEETINGS* (convenes at 9:30 a.m.)

*** LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

penalties.

Ms. Carole Migden, Chairwoman

Ms. Margaret Shedd, Staff (916) 322-2376

Set forth below are suggestions for Property Taxes and Business Taxes (General, Sales and Use Tax, and Special Taxes) legislation to be sponsored by the Board in the second year of the 2003-2004 Legislative Session. Additional suggestions will be included on the agenda for January 2004.

200	04 Legislative Proposals – Property Taxes
	Amend Section 63.1 of the Property Taxes Law to provide that the existence of a stepparent will not disqualify a grandchild from receiving the grandparent-grandchild change in ownership exclusion when the stepparent is still considered to be a "child" (as a son-in-law or daughter-in-law) of the grandparent for purposes of the parent-child change in ownership exclusion.
	Amend section 63.1 of Property Taxes Law to extend the filing time to claim a parent-child exclusion, from six months to one year after the date of mailing a notice of supplemental or escape assessment.
	Amend section 214 of the Property Taxes Law to add limited liability companies to the list of qualifying entities for the welfare exemption.
	Amend section 220.5 of the Property Taxes Law to eliminate the need to sign the annual claim form for the historical aircraft exemption before a notary public or a member of the assessor's office.
	Amend Section 24002.5 of the Government Code to clarify the 30-day period in which a person elected or appointed to the office of assessor must obtain a temporary appraiser's certificate from the Board of Equalization.
	Repeal obsolete Sections 218.1 and 5180 of the Property Taxes Law.
	Authorize the Board to prescribe the content and form of the preliminary change in ownership report, after consultation with the California Assessors' Association.
	Amend Section 830 of the Property Taxes Law to delete the penalty cap on state assessees and add Sections 750 and 828.5 to make state assessees subject to the same penalties as local assessees for making false oral or written statements related to their assessments or in seeking an assessment reduction.
	Amend Section 830 of the Property Taxes Law to allow the Board to partially abate state assessee

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	2004 Legislative Proposals – Business Taxes (Sales and Use Tax)
	Amend section 7093.8 of the Sales and Use Tax Law to reauthorize the Board to waive any penalties and interest on unpaid sales and use taxes owed by eligible taxpayers to the extent that
	the underlying tax liability is paid. Add section 6458 to the Sales and Use Tax Law to provide a 1 percent discount for the timely and accurate filing of sales and use tax returns by new permittees.
	Add sections 6511.1, 7204.01, and 7271.01 to, and amend section 6592 of, the Revenue and Taxation Code to allow the Board to assess a penalty when a taxpayer fails to furnish the required local tax and special taxing district tax return schedules at the time a sales and use tax return is filed.
	Amend section 6480.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to include a reference of the new state and local sales tax statutes for the computation of the sales tax prepayment on motor vehicle fuel, aircraft jet fuel, and diesel fuel.
	Renumber duplicate section 6480.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code as section 6480.9.
>	2004 Legislative Proposals – Business Taxes (Special Taxes) Amend sections 43350, 45351, 46301, 50120.1, and 55101 of the Revenue and Taxation Code to
	delete obsolete section references. Amend section 43152.14 of the Revenue and Taxation Code to delete the requirement to file a
	return for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee. Amend section 46156 of the Oil Spill Response, Prevention, and Administration Fee Law to authorize the Board to grant relief of the penalty for failure to file an information report for the Oil
	Spill Response Fee. Amend sections 43201 and 55061 of the Revenue and Taxation Code to make it clear that when the Board collects a tax or fee assessed by another state agency, that it is appropriate for the Board to issue a notice of determination as the billing mechanism.
>	2004 Legislative Proposals – Business Taxes (Sales and Use Tax) ☐ Amend Section 15609 of the Government Code to require the Members of the Board to meet at least 12 times a year, instead of monthly, in Sacramento and other locations in the state.
Mr.	SINESS TAXES COMMITTEE John Chiang, Chairman Ramon Hirsig, Staff (916) 445-1441
>	Proposed regulation regarding process for reviewing transactions (sales) and use tax (district tax) distribution inquiries (Regulation 1828, Process for Reviewing Transactions and Use Tax Distribution
>	Inquiries). Proposed regulatory changes to clarify duration of nexus for purposes of collecting and remitting use tax by out-of-state retailers engaged in business in this state (Regulation 1684, Collection of Use Tax by Retailers).
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	Resources to implement and administer provision of SB 20

Resources to implement and administer provision of SB 1049
 Resources to implement and administer provision of AB 71
 Resources to implement and administer provision of AB 1666

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PROPERTY TAXES COMMITTEE

Mr. Claude Parrish, Chairman

Mr. David Gau, Staff (916) 445-1516

> Assessors' Handbook Section 577, Assessment of General Aircraft

BOARD MEETING** (convenes upon adjournment of the Property Taxes Committee)

❖ PROPERTY TAX HEARINGS – PETITIONS FOR REASSESSMENT OF UNITARY VALUE

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□ Bakersfield Cellular Telephone Company (2622), 224205 – "CF" Cagal Cellular Communications Corporation (2611), 224206 – "CF" AT&T Wireless Services of California, LLC (2606), 224208– "CF" AT&T Wireless PCS, LLC (2749), 224211 – "CF" Redding Cellular Partnership (2639), 224212 – "CF" Salinas Cellular Telephone Company (2637), 224213 – "CF" Santa Barbara Cellular Systems, Ltd. (2626), 235463 – "CF" Yuba City Cellular Telephone Company (2643), 224216 – "CF" Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (2675), 224217 – "CF" Santa Cruz Cellular Telephone Company (2630), 224218 – "CF" BT Americas. Inc. (7758), 224608 – "CF"

❖ TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS – ADJUDICATORY

A. Legal Appeals Matters

- Petition for Rehearing
 - 1. Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians, 37763
- Hearing Notice Sent No Response
 - 2. Larry's Auto Sales, Inc., 164577
- Hearing Request Withdrawn
 - 3. K-Mart Corporation, 162539
- Case Heard But Not Decided
 - 4. Cardinal Health 110, Inc. (formerly Whitmire Distribution Corporation), 30641

B. Franchise and Income Tax Matters

- Decisions
 - 1. Douglas and Janine Leishear, 205946
 - 2. Murray Stein, 203452
 - 3. OII Third Partial Consent Decree Cash Acct. Escrow, 139239

C. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters

- Decision
 - 1. Lorraine C. Bryant, 202289

D. Sales and Use Taxes Matters

- Redeterminations
 - 1. AT&T Communications, Inc., 152004
 - 2. Wanpen Pirom, 111824

E. Sales and Use Taxes Matters - Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds

- Credit and Cancellation
 - 1. Universal Instruments Corporation, 235267
- Refund
 - HR Textron, Inc., 198086

F. Property Tax Matters

- Petitions for Reassessment of Unitary Value
 - 1. Duke Energy Moss Landing, LLC (1103), 225284 "CF"
 - 2. Duke Energy Morro Bay, LLC (1104), 225287 "CF"
 - 3. Duke Energy Oakland, LLC (1105), 224880 "CF"
 - Duke Energy South Bay, LLC (1118), 224889 "CF"
 - Mirant Potrero, LLC (1108), 224116 "CF"
 - 6. Mirant Delta, LLC (1109), 224114 "CF"

*** TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS - CONSENT**

G. Legal Appeals Matters

- Petitions for Rehearing
 - 1. Jewelry Doctor, Inc., 89000112920
 - 2. Sam D'Ambrosio, 145476
 - 3. Arrow International, Inc., 138595
- Hearing Request Withdrawn
 - 4. E. R. Squibb & Sons, Inc., 105409
 - 5. Kiewit Pacific Company, 145697
 - 6. Winkler Advertising, Inc., 89000658260, 89000658270
- Petitions for Release of Seized Property
 - 7. Malkiat Singh, 237061
 - 8. Vanco Foods, Inc., 239692

H. Franchise and Income Tax Matters

- Decisions
 - 1. Susan L. Abel, 209051
 - 2. American General Realty Investment Corporation, Inc., 156726
 - 3. Max Azria, 204976
 - 4. Stephen Balakirsky, 197555
 - 5. Maurice E. Banks, 195427
 - 6. Kim D. Bell, 208992
 - 7. Emeteria Bolo, 212917
 - 8. California Style Home Collections, LLC, 213528
 - 9. Dora Chung, 202286
 - 10. Cinema Plaza Partners, LP, 207907
 - 11. Roger Louis DeFosse, 208752
 - 12. Wilson C. A. Dunn, 207682
 - 13. Good Earth Enterprises, Inc., 208809
 - 14. Gregory J. Hobbs and Patricia Ann Martin, 187092
 - 15. LaVonne Hodgson, 195038
 - 16. Joe Kauffman, 209881
 - 17. Walter H. Kopinski, 215504
 - 18. Kandis Malefvt. 210097
 - 19. Jose G. Nunez, 215271
 - 20. Stephen E. and Barbara J. Pazian, 193379, 207901
 - 21. Matthew Joseph Peddecord, 202128
 - 22. Rebecca and Charles R. Ramsay, III, 209593
 - 23. Oscar and Joyce Sesma, 203456
 - 24. E. Sylvia Simpson, 206174
 - 25. Kenneth J. and Susan Slee, 195037
 - William and Margaret Sticklen, 196904
 - 27. Today's Desserts, Inc., 202270
 - 28. Eric A. Wallace, 205964
 - 29. Robert G. and Pamela D. Wright, 215112
 - 30. Yanonali Properties, LLC, 202043
 - 31. Isaac and Shoshana Yetiv, 214767
- Petitions for Rehearing
 - 33. Darryl F. LaFountaine, 90044
 - Kenneth A. Sauer and Eliza B. Sauer, 190269

I. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters

- Decisions
 - 1. Eva Carrillo, 209614
 - 2. Oswald Estrada, 207688
 - 3. Rosalinda Lewis, 196636
 - 4. Darrell George Magee, 212817
 - 5. Latrina McCullun, 218276

- 6. Christine Nardico, 209877
- 7. Gilbert Rodriguez, 208519
- 8. Gwen Swan, 209540
- 9. Zhao Rong Wang, 212513
- Petitions for Rehearing
 - 10. Theopolis Jackson, 197509
 - 11. Philip Jevanian, 203083
 - 12. Virginia M. Larson, 170719

J. Sales and Use Taxes Matters

- Redeterminations
 - 1. Iron Mtn Off Site Data Prtctn, Inc., 207665
 - 2. R. C. Collet, Inc., 119162
 - 3. Weigh-Tronix, Inc., 198275
 - 4. Kelly Juergensen Letts, 195974
 - 5. Oakwood Mobile Homes, Inc., 218318
 - 6. 21st Century Graphics, 142836

Denials of Claims for Refund

- 7. Consolidated Electrical Dstrs., Inc., 222092
- 8. Cisco Systems, Inc., 238681

K. Sales and Use Taxes Matters - Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds

- Credits and Cancellations
 - 1. Application Engineering Corporation, 195764
 - 2. Masaru Yoshimoto, 187434
 - 3. Tweeter of California, Inc., 239617

Refunds

- 4. Aquaria, Inc., 238732
- La-Salle Paper Company, 206925
- 6. Allsale Electric. Inc., 223477
- 7. Soligen, Inc., 211754
- 8. Ellison Machinery Company Northern California, 113319
- 9. F P C, Inc., 208345
- 10. American Honda Finance Corporation, 115777
- 11. Cisco Systems, Inc., 202949
- 12. Provident Central Credit Union, 238680
- 13. Operon Technologies, Inc., 240363
- 14. Dadant & Sons, Inc., 239501
- 15. Toshiba Machine Company America, 19454
- 16. Polytec PI, Inc., 220271
- 17. Visger Precision, Inc., 219266
- 18. Ando Corporation, 146222
- 19. Pacific Coast Bldg. Products, Inc., 224769
- 20. Manugistics, Inc., 201849
- 21. American Equipment Company, Inc., 143620
- 22. KGP Telecommunication, Inc., 161361
- 23. Bloomberg LP, 219639
- 24. Ivy Hill Corporation, 80555
- 25. Chep USA, 182696
- 26. Ford Motor Company, 240192
- 27. Chevrolet Motor Division, 240591
- 28. Barclays Global Investors, N.A., 240586
- 29. E*Trade Group, Inc., 239163
- 30. Pacific American Securities, LLC, 196902
- 31. Rochdale Securities Corporation, 240297
- 32. Westminster Research Assoc., Inc., 240551
- 33. Montgomery Asset Management, LLC, 240498
- 34. Caymus Vineyards, 237161

- 35. Donn R. Roberts Enterprises, Inc., 182273
- 36. Champion Solutions Group, Inc., 224071
- 37. Premier Waterworld Sacramento, Inc., 239845
- 38. Cox Communications, PCS, LP, 201896
- 39. I.D. Business Solutions, Inc., 224143
- 40. Optonics, Inc., 234590
- 41. Martini Ranch San Diego, LLC, 194653
- 42. Anda Networks, Inc., 219262
- 43. Edison Material Supply, LLC, 236870
- 44. Agilent Technologies, Inc., 224066
- 45. Schweitzer Eng. Labs, Inc., 171505
- 46. Gambro Renal Products, Inc., 239695
- 47. Gambro Renal Products, Inc., 239699
- 48. Kern Schools Federal Credit Union, 133023
- 49. Evant, Inc., 193755
- 50. Strouds Acquisition Corporation, 187973
- 51. Xenogen Corporation, 168069
- 52. BP West Coast Products, LLC, 220969
- 53. Palm, Inc., 238679
- 54. OfficeMax, Inc., 204961
- 55. Mann Packing Company, Inc., 145365
- 56. Fresh Latitudes World Café, Inc., 220267
- 57. Industry Color Printing, Inc., 138525
- 58. Lobel Financial Corporation, 209749
- 59. Alliance Credit Union, 188802
- 60. California Coast Credit Union, 216920
- 61. Sunrise Telecom Inc. of Delaware, 217179
- 62. Cal State Cntrl C.U. of North Bay, 240298

L. Special Taxes Matters - Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds

- Refunds
 - 1. First Student, Inc., 114796
 - 2. Reassure America Life Ins. Company, 172838 "CF"
 - 3. Tokio Marine & Fire Ins. Company, Ltd., 239169 "CF"
 - Reassure America Life Ins. Company, 213190 "CF"
 - 5. Reassure America Life Ins. Company, 213191 "CF"
 - 6. Grocers Specialty Company, 219581
 - 7. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 240628 "CF"

M. Property Tax Matters

- Petitions for Reassessment of Unitary Value
 - 1. Sierra Pacific Power Company (146), 224741 "CF"
 - 2. Southern California Edison Company (148), 223875 "CF"
 - North Baja Pipeline, LLC (180), 224479 "CF"
 - Mojave Pipeline Company (187), 224891 "CF"
 - 5. Sprint Communications Company, LP (2014), 224150 "CF"
 - 6. Cable & Wireless USA, Inc. (2035), 224220 "CF"
 - 7. VIA Wireless, LLC (2747), 224222 "CF"
 - 8. Terabeam Corporation (2765), 224189 "CF"
 - 9. 360 Networks (USA), Inc. (7779), 224950 "CF"
 - 10. 01 Communications, Inc. (7791), 224761 "CF"
 - 11. Touch America, Inc. (7877), 224472 "CF"
- Petitions for Reassessment and Penalty Abatement on Unitary Value
 - 12. UbiquiTel, Inc. (2751), 224221 "CF"
 - 13. Talk America, Inc. (7677), 223877 "CF"
- Petition for Penalty Abatement on Unitary Value
 - 14. Mountain Utilities, LLC (185), 223803 "CF"

- Petitions for Reassessment on Nonunitary Value
 - 15. Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company (869), 225288 "CF"
 - 16. Sierra Railroad Company (871), 225254 "CF"
- Petition for Penalty Abatement on Unitary Escaped Assessment
 - Enhanced Global Convergence Services, Inc. (7855), 238385 "CF"

❖ TAX PROGRAM NONAPPEARANCE MATTERS — NOT SUBJECT TO CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE STATUTE

N. Property Tax Matters

- Unitary Escaped Assessments
 - 1. Harbor Cogeneration Company (1145) "CF"
 - 2. Alliance Payphone, Inc. (7973) "CF"
- Unitary and Nonunitary Escaped Assessments
 - 3. SBE California (279) "CF"

AT&T Communications, Inc. (2310) - "CF"

Bay Area Cellular Telephone Company (dba AT&T Wireless Services) (2502) – "CF" GTE Mobilnet of California, Ltd. Partnership (dba Verizon Wireless Services) (2606) – "CF" AT&T Wireless Services of California, LLC (dba AT&T Wireless Services) (2606) – "CF" Sprint Telephony PCS, LP (2720) – "CF"

Sprint Spectrum, LP (dba Sprint PCS) (2722) – "CF"

Nextel of California, Inc. (2737) - "CF"

Alpine PCS, Inc. (2746) - "CF"

Ubiquitel (2751) - "CF"

❖ CHIEF COUNSEL MATTERS – RULEMAKING

O. Business Taxes

- Proposed Adoption of Amendments to Sales and Use Tax Regulation 1591, Medicines and Medical Devices
 - Regulation 1591, Medicines and Medical Devices, is proposed to be amended to interpret, implement and make specific Revenue and Taxation Code section 6369. Amendments are proposed to provide that sales of breast and tissue expanders are exempt from tax under defined conditions.

❖ CHIEF COUNSEL MATTERS – NOT SUBJECT TO CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE STATUTE

P. Property Taxes

- > State Assessee Procedures
 - 1. Written and oral testimony and information provided to the Board in State Assessee Appeals
- > Findings and Decisions
 - 2. TCAST Communications, Inc. (7625), 214613

❖ ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

- Consent Agenda
 - Approval of Board Employee Retirement Resolutions
 - George H. Fong
 - Robert N. McCanne
 - Charlotte Paliani
 - Marie R. Romero
 - Lee Smith
 - Approval of Board Employee Resolution
 - Jennifer Willis
 - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
 - September 10-11, 2003
 - Assessors' Handbook Section 531, Residential Building Costs Section 1, Section 2, Section 3 and Section 4
 - Assessors' Handbook Section 534, Rural Building Costs Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3
 - □ Assessors' Handbook Section 581, Equipment Index and Percent Good Factors
 - □ 2004 Timberland Production Zone Values

- Presentation of Retirement Resolution for Charlotte Paliani
- Presentation of Board Resolution for Jennifer Willis
- ➤ Effects of Proposition 10 on Cigarette and Tobacco Products Consumption

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Approval of Board Committee Minutes
 - Legislative Committee
 - Business Taxes Committee
 - Customer and Administrative Efficiency Committee
 - Property Taxes Committee

❖ CLOSED SESSION

- ➤ Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (Rev. & Tax Code, § 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1 and 50156.11)
- Pending Litigation: Status Report on Department of Toxic Substances Control v. BOE, Real Party in Interest Bechtel Petroleum Operations, Inc. Petition for Writ of Mandamus (Sacramento Co. Sup. Ct. No. 01CS00894).
- Discussion and action on Personnel Matters (Govt. Code, § 11126(a))

Wednesday, November 19, 2003

BOARD MEETING** (convenes at 9:30 a.m.)

*	CORPORATE FRANCHISE AND PERSONAL INCOME TAX HEARINGS		
		Howard Marcus, 183969 Long Term Investment Trust, 158367, 198764	
*	SPECIAL TAXES APPEALS HEARING		
		American Bankers Life Assurance Company of Florida, 185747 – "CF" American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, 83069 – "CF"	
*	SALES AND USE TAX APPEALS HEARINGS		
		Jerames Industries, Inc., 112004 Rima Naif Hamati, 132983 R.J.E. Trade International, Inc., 84138 Steven R. Maruta, 134881 Whitewater West Industries, Ltd., 161041 Royal Jade House, Inc., 128624, 160280	

BOARD/ASSESSORS' MEETING*** (convenes upon adjournment of the Board Meeting)

- State Fiscal Situation
 - Discussion of the State Budget
- > Taxpayers' Rights Advocate
 - Discussion of assessment issues covered in the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's Annual Report
- Legislative Update
 - Discussion of property tax legislation and emerging issues in 2004 legislation

Legal Issues

Discussion of current legal issues and recent court cases affecting assessors and the Board of Equalization

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Deborah Pellegrini, Chief Board Proceedings Division

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- ** Public comment on any agenda item, other than a Closed Session item or an item which has already been considered by a Board Committee, will be accepted at that meeting.
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- "CF" Constitutional Function The Deputy State Controller may not participate in this matter under Government Code section 7.9.

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